

48 BC

Caesar became Dictator

He was already CONSUL for 48 BC

He was elected CONSUL 5 times

47BC 48BC

Pompey murdered in Egypt
by order of Cleopatra

48BC - 44BC

Caesar assumed the office of dictator for life and initiated far-reaching reforms. He granted citizenship liberally to non-Italians. Packed Senate with many new provincial members. Reduced debts; inaugurated public works program; established colonies outside Italy & decreed that 1/3 of laborers on slave worked estates in Italy be of free birth.

As a result he was able to reduce from
320,000 to 150,000 the number of people
receiving free grain.

Instituted a calendar of $365\frac{1}{4}$ days
(from Egyptian knowledge)

DEC 48BC

Caesar left Rome for Africa
where the campaign against
the Pompeians, commanded by
SCIPIO and CATO ended in
a sweeping victory at
THAPSUS 6, 46BC

48BC + i.e. toward 47BC.

After Pharsalus.^{48BC} Pompey
fled to Egypt and there
found how great is the
difference in East between
success and failure. As he
stepped ashore from his galley
he was stabbed in the back

His head was cut off and
taken to Caesar.